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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response for the purpose of filing a Response to an Office Action, mailed August 10, 2004, in the above-referenced patent application, be extended for three (3) months to and including February 10, 2005. Please charge the \$510 extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) to the credit card identified on the enclosed Form PTO-2038. Please debit any insufficiency in the fee from Deposit Account No. 07-1185.

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